

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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	§	Examiner: Ramana, Anuradha
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For: PERCUTANEOUS FIXATOR	§	Confirmation No. 8156
AND METHOD OF INSERTION	§	

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**AMENDMENT**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2007. In particular, Applicants have added a section to the previously filed response pointing out the patentable novelty of new claims 38-51, as requested by the Examiner in the Office Action.

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.